

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
JULY 16, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Hopewell Area School District met in regular session on Monday, July 16, 2018, in the Board Room, Administration Building, 2354 Brodhead Road, Hopewell Township.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Lesia Dobo, Board President.

Prayer and flag salute was led by Dr. Miller. Roll call by the secretary followed. Those Directors in attendance were:

John Bowden
Daniel Caton
Lesia Dobo
Rob Harmotto
Lori McKittrick
Darren Newberry
Kathryn Oblak
Daniel Santia
Jeff Winkle

Also in attendance were: Dr. Michelle Miller, Superintendent; Dr. Jacie Maslyk, Assistant Superintendent; John Salopek, Solicitor; Jennifer Conrad, Business Administrator; Nancy Barber, Secretary; Michael Allison and Douglass Rowe, Principals; Donald Short, Athletic Director; and visitors.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was held prior to the meeting to discuss personnel. This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.

Mrs. Dobo asked for approval of minutes.

MOTION #1

By John Bowden, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the June 18, 2018 Business Meeting minutes as presented. MOTION carried by a majority affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

APPROVAL OF GROUPEd ITEMS

MOTION #2

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve items (1) through (3) as presented in accordance with School Board’s agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Tax Collectors’ Report

1. Recommendation to accept report for taxes collected for the month of June 2018, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Treasurer’s Report

2. Recommendation to accept report of the Treasurer for the month of June 2018, as presented, and make said report a part of these minutes.

Financial Statements

3. Recommendation to accept Financial Statements for the month of June 2018, as presented, and make said statements a part of these minutes.

VISITOR’S COMMENTS

No visitors wished to address the Board.

At this time, the agenda was reviewed in its entirety by Dr. Miller and Mrs. Conrad.

At this time Mrs. Dobo asked that Committee discussion and recommendations begin.

Education/Curriculum/Instruction by Jeffrey Winkle

MOTION #3

By Jeff Winkle seconded by John Bowden, to approve the contract with Cumberland Therapy Services, LLC to provide School Psychologist services for the 2018-2019 school year at a cost of \$72.50 per hour. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #4

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Lori McKittrick, to approve the contract with Care Unlimited, Inc. to provide nursing services on an as needed basis for the 2018-2019 school year. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #5

By Jeff Winkle seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the Service Agreement with the Watson Institute to provide training and consultation for the 2018-2019 school year. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #6

By Jeff Winkle, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve free school privileges for Daviana Anzur to attend Hopewell Elementary School for the 2018-2019 school year. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Athletics by Daniel Caton, Chair

MOTION #7

By Daniel Caton, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the employment of Tony Ciucci as football statistician for the 2018 season. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Buildings and Grounds by Daniel Santia, Chair

MOTION #8

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the request from the Hopewell Area Aqua Club to use the pool for practices and meets for the 2018-2019 season. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #9

By Daniel Santia, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the request of the Hopewell Area Aqua Club to use the lower lobby at the Junior High School on September 5 and 6, 2018 for club sign-ups and the Junior High School Cafeteria on September 10, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for a parent meeting. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #10

By Daniel Santia, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the request from David Tadich for use of the Junior High Baseball Field on July 28, 2018 (rain date August 4, 2018) from 8:30 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for their annual Serbian Softball Tournament. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #11

By Daniel Santia, seconded by John Bowden, to approve the request of the Hopewell Soccer Club to use the Senior High School soccer field on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from August 15, 2018 through November 1, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. for practice. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Finance and Budget by Lori McKittrick, Chair

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MOTION #12

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Jeff Winkle, to approve items (1) through (3) and to ratify items (4) and (5) as presented in accordance with School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. General Fund List of Bills in the amount of \$324,544.83
2. Cafeteria Fund List of Bills in the amount of \$320.00
3. Capital Reserve List of Bills in the amount of \$31,250.00
4. General Fund Payments in the amount of \$3,924,655.26
5. Cafeteria Fund payments in the amount of \$1,516.00

MOTION #13

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the agreement with EDGEclick, doing business as, Thought Process Enterprises, to manage advertisers on the District's website. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #14

By Lori McKittrick, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the Athletic Accident and Catastrophic Accident Insurance Policy premiums of \$19,100 and \$750, respectively, for August 16, 2018 through August 16, 2019. This policy also includes the Voluntary Student Accident plan which is available to students for a premium of \$28.00 per student for school time and \$124.00 per student for 24 hour coverage. These policies are through AG Administrators. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Personnel by Rob Harmotto, Chair

MOTION #15

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Santia, to approve the fall sports coaches and salaries. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #16

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, to accept the resignation for retirement of Catharina Radford, kindergarten teacher, effective July 17, 2018. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #17

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, to accept the resignation of Mary Critchlow as 1st Assistant Cheerleading Coach, effective June 6, 2018. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #18

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to accept the resignation for retirement of Linda Kubia, 8-hr custodian, effective August 31, 2018. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #19

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, to accept the resignation of Michele Fuchs, full-time library paraprofessional, effective immediately. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative roll call vote of all Directors in attendance.

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MOTION #20

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve items 1 through 5 as presented in accordance with School Board's agreement for grouping items in a single motion. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

1. Employment of Kelly Points as a substitute transportation aide and driver, effective July 17, 2018.
2. Employment of Carl Platko as a substitute transportation aide and driver, effective July 17, 2018.

3. Employment of David McCowin as a substitute transportation aide and driver, effective July 17, 2018.
4. Employment of Guy Celeste as a substitute bus driver, effective July 17, 2018.
5. Employment of Al Thomas as a substitute transportation aide, effective July 17, 2018.

MOTION #21

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by John Bowden, to accept the resignation of Jason Powell, bus driver, effective July 17, 2018. Mr. Powell asks to be placed on the substitute driver list. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #22

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Kathryn Oblak, to approve the appointment of Dr. Michelle Miller as District Safety and Security Coordinator per Senate Bill 1142 state requirements. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

MOTION #23

By Rob Harmotto, seconded by Daniel Caton, to approve the employment of Andrew Falletta as Varsity Head Coach for Boys' Basketball, effective immediately. MOTION carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Directors in attendance.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Miller said that under the guidance of Dr. Maslyk the interview process for open positions is going very well. Administrators are working hard finding the best candidates for science, tech ed, elementary and special education.

Dr. Miller reminded the Board of the retreat scheduled for July 23, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Dr. Miller reported that she is working with the Township on paving projects. She is looking to pave the Hopewell Elementary School parking lot, the Junior High School driveway and parking lots and the student lot at the Senior High School.

Dr. Miller also reported that she would be having weekly status meetings with Johnson Controls regarding the security project. They are currently securing the necessary wiring and other components. The current plan is to have the infrastructure done before school begins.

Dr. Maslyk reported that she and the administrative team are well under way with interviews for the open positions for 2018-2019. She also reported that a team from the

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elementary school are working to revise the elementary report card. She said that she will be providing a draft to the Board on August 6, 2018.

Solicitor's Report

Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

Nothing to report.

Upcoming School Board Meetings

August 6, 2018, Regular Work Meeting, Central Administration
August 20, 2018, Regular Business Meeting, Central Administration

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was held following the meeting to discuss personnel matters. This announcement is being made to be in compliance with Act 84 of 1986, Pennsylvania's Sunshine Law, as amended.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion or recommendations to come before the Board of Directors, Mrs. Dobo asked for a motion for adjournment.

MOTION by John Bowden, seconded by Daniel Santia, that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED.

Mrs. Dobo adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

HOPEWELL AREA SCHOOL BOARD

Lesia Dobo, President

Nancy Barber, Secretary